

**RESIDENT DEATHS BY IMPORTANT CAUSE BY RACE
AND SEX WEST VIRGINIA—1949**

CAUSE	Total	White		Colored	
		Male	Female	Male	Female
Total Deaths, All Causes -----	17,211	9,312	6,546	822	531
Infective and Parasitic Diseases -----	870	448	294	82	46
Tuberculosis (All Forms) -----	533	260	197	50	26
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System -----	497	244	185	47	21
Syphilis and its sequelae -----	124	68	17	29	10
Scarlet Fever -----	3	1	2	0	0
Diphtheria -----	10	4	5	0	1
Whooping Cough -----	40	19	20	1	0
Meningococcal Infections -----	30	22	7	1	0
Poliomyelitis -----	14	11	3	0	0
Measles -----	8	5	3	0	0
All Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases -----	108	58	40	1	9
Malignant Neoplasms (Cancer) -----	1,999	936	934	74	55
Benign & Unspecified Neoplasm -----	65	28	31	1	5
Diabetes Mellitus -----	285	104	154	9	18
Rheumatic Fever -----	28	10	17	0	1
Vascular Lesions Affecting Central Nervous System -----	1,733	832	765	73	63
Diseases of the Heart -----	5,292	3,027	1,859	249	157
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease -----	268	128	123	8	9
Arteriosclerotic & Degenerative Heart Disease -----	3,728	2,291	1,233	139	75
Hypertension with Heart Disease -----	904	383	390	69	62
Other Diseases of the Heart -----	392	225	123	33	11
General Arteriosclerosis -----	289	158	118	6	7
Nephritis and Nephrosis -----	347	174	145	15	13
Pneumonia and Influenza -----	659	306	293	38	22
Pneumonia -----	554	262	242	31	19
Influenza -----	105	44	51	7	3
Diarrhea and Enteritis -----	298	158	123	11	6
Cirrhosis of Liver -----	142	87	52	1	2
Maternal Causes -----	52	0	48	0	4
Congenital Malformations -----	294	168	110	10	6
Premature Birth -----	477	247	194	17	19
Senility, Ill-Defined & Unknown Causes -----	501	260	201	26	14
All Other Diseases -----	2,164	1,189	816	96	63
Accidents (All Forms) -----	1,392	961	341	72	18
Motor Vehicle Accidents -----	399	300	85	12	2
Suicide -----	184	152	29	3	0
Homicide -----	140	67	22	39	12

VITAL STATISTICS
NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR COUNTIES IN WEST VIRGINIA—1949

COUNTY	White			Colored	
	Total	Male	Female	Male	Female
Barbour	170	92	66	10	2
Berkeley	319	174	125	8	12
Boone	203	129	71	2	1
Braxton	176	104	71	1	
Brooke	220	130	80	5	5
Cabell	1043	549	403	56	35
Calhoun	77	44	33		
Clay	90	59	31		
Doddridge	103	56	46	1	
Fayette	635	320	183	84	48
Gilmer	67	32	35		
Grant	88	55	31		2
Greenbrier	324	182	116	17	9
Hampshire	108	57	48	2	1
Hancock	259	155	91	8	5
Hardy	79	41	34	1	3
Harrison	815	422	363	22	8
Jackson	134	77	57		
Jefferson	185	81	72	18	14
Kanawha	1789	982	630	106	71
Lewis	205	113	91	1	
Lincoln	180	92	88		
Logan	605	334	209	43	19
McDowell	752	331	206	142	73
Marion	660	344	264	32	20
Marshall	362	189	168	4	1
Mason	220	115	101	2	2
Mercer	641	312	210	59	60
Mineral	218	120	88	4	6
Mingo	358	188	132	23	15
Monongalia	523	282	209	19	13
Monroe	148	81	57	5	5
Morgantown	99	53	45	1	
Nicholas	219	137	82		
Ohio	789	419	338	16	16
Pendleton	68	38	28	2	
Pleasants	66	40	26		
Pocahontas	111	64	41	4	2
Preston	261	156	105		
Putnam	139	83	56		
Raleigh	709	359	205	92	53
Randolph	298	194	96	4	4
Ritchie	141	73	68		
Roane	170	95	75		
Summers	192	115	66	6	5
Taylor	196	112	80	2	2
Tucker	116	64	51		1
Tyler	106	59	46	1	
Upshur	190	106	84		
Wayne	277	176	100	1	
Webster	138	85	53		
Wetzel	219	122	96		1
Wirt	51	23	28		
Wood	693	370	307	9	7
Wyoming	207	126	62	9	10
Total	17211	9311	6548	822	530

**INMATES IN THE WEST VIRGINIA MEDIUM
SECURITY PRISON**

NUMBER OF INMATES BY COUNTIES	Total	White	Negro
		Males	Males
Barbour	6	5	1
Berkeley	14	13	1
Boone	9	8	1
Braxton	6	6	0
Brooke	5	4	1
Cabell	49	38	11
Calhoun	0	0	0
Clay	6	6	0
Doddridge	0	0	0
Fayette	35	18	17
Gilmer	0	0	0
Grant	7	7	0
Greenbrier	8	3	5
Hampshire	8	6	2
Hancock	2	1	1
Hardy	2	1	1
Harrison	43	41	2
Jackson	7	7	0
Jefferson	17	11	6
Kanawha	96	78	18
Lewis	4	4	0
Lincoln	5	5	0
Logan	61	47	14
McDowell	54	28	26
Marion	11	8	3
Marshall	5	5	0
Mason	5	3	2
Mercer	26	22	4
Mineral	4	4	0
Mingo	21	17	4
Monongalia	4	4	0
Monroe	0	0	0
Morgan	2	2	0
Nicholas	6	6	0
Ohio	13	10	3
Pendleton	2	2	0
Pleasants	1	1	0
Pocahontas	2	2	0
Preston	2	2	0
Putnam	4	4	0
Raleigh	55	42	13
Randolph	6	6	0
Ritchie	3	3	0
Roane	5	5	0
Summers	17	16	1
Taylor	5	5	0
Tucker	4	4	0
Tyler	0	0	0
Upshur	9	8	1
Wayne	3	3	0
Webster	3	3	0
Wetzel	2	2	0
Wirt	1	1	0
Wood	18	18	0
Wyoming	9	4	5
Totals		692	549
			143

INMATES IN THE WEST VIRGINIA MEDIUM SECURITY PRISON
AGES OF INMATES SERVING IN THE WEST VIRGINIA
MEDIUM SECURITY PRISON

Age of Admission	Total	Whites Male	Negroes Male
15 Years	2	2	0
16 Years	2	0	2
17 Years	11	10	1
18 Years	22	15	7
19 Years	39	32	7
20 Years	48	42	6
21 Years	57	46	11
22 Years	57	50	7
23 Years	49	41	8
24 Years	41	38	3
25 Years	15	11	4
26 Years	28	20	8
27 Years	4	0	4
28 Years	29	20	9
29 Years	18	17	1
30 Years	24	22	2
31-35 Years	83	68	15
36-40 Years	32	22	10
41-45 Years	30	17	13
46-50 Years	47	39	8
51-55 Years	19	12	7
56-60 Years	17	11	6
61-65 Years	7	3	4
Over 65 Years	11	11	0
Totals	692	549	143

INMATES IN THE WEST VIRGINIA MEDIUM SECURITY PRISON

CRIMES	Total	Whites Male	Negroes Male
Aiding & Abetting Auto Theft	1	1	0
Arson	5	5	0
Attempt to Kill	1	1	0
Attempt Armed Robbery	1	1	0
Auto-Theft	46	43	3
Bigamy	2	2	0
Breaking and Entering	113	97	16
Burglary	25	24	1
Conspiracy	1	1	0
Crime Vs Nature	1	1	0
Embezzlement	6	6	0
Entering	30	27	3
False Pretense	3	3	0
Forgery	67	63	4
Grand Larceny	181	147	34
Habitual Criminal Act	3	2	1
Interferring with Floating Craft	1	1	0
Malicious Wounding	12	7	5
Moonshining	3	2	1
Murder, 1st Degree	27	16	11
Murder, 2nd Degree	44	25	19
Perjury	2	2	0
Possession of Explosives (unlawful)	1	1	0
Petit Larceny	1	1	0
Receiving Stolen Goods	1	1	0
Armed Robbery	3	0	3
Unarmed Robbery	4	4	0
Unlawful Wounding	16	13	3
Uttering	52	29	23
Voluntary Manslaughter	6	6	0
Worthless Checks	25	10	15
Totals	9	8	1
	692	549	143

WEST VIRGINIA PENITENTIARY
MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY	Total	White	Colored
Barbour	8	5	3
Berkeley	40	36	4
Boone	38	36	2
Braxton	17	17	0
Brooke	12	7	5
Cabell	155	130	25
Calhoun	17	17	0
Clay	16	16	0
Doddridge	4	4	0
Fayette	94	73	21
Gilmer	10	10	0
Grant	7	7	0
Greenbrier	46	35	11
Hampshire	9	9	0
Hancock	6	5	1
Hardy	2	2	0
Harrison	83	73	10
Jackson	15	15	0
Jefferson	10	5	5
Kanawha	339	273	66
Lewis	13	13	0
Lincoln	13	13	0
Logan	179	148	31
Marion	51	36	15
Marshall	17	17	0
Mason	32	30	2
McDowell	164	99	65
Mercer	89	66	23
Mineral	15	14	1
Mingo	62	56	6
Monongalia	37	31	6
Monroe	9	8	1
Morgan	10	9	1
Nicholas	20	20	0
Ohio	68	52	16
Pendleton	3	3	0
Pleasants	0	0	0
Pocahontas	12	10	2
Preston	12	12	0
Putnam	9	8	1
Raleigh	153	118	35
Randolph	29	25	4
Ritchie	11	11	0
Roane	14	14	0
Summers	32	25	7
Taylor	20	18	2
Tucker	9	9	0
Tyler	4	4	0
Upshur	21	20	1
Wayne	28	28	0
Webster	8	8	0
Wetzel	17	16	1
Wirt	2	2	0
Wood	87	85	2
Wyoming	24	22	2
Totals	2,202	1,825	377

WEST VIRGINIA PENITENTIARY
MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

CRIME	Total	White	Colored
Aiding and Abetting Auto Theft	1	1	0
Aiding and Abetting Breaking and Entering	1	1	0
Aiding and Abetting Escape	1	1	0
Aiding and Abetting Rape	12	11	1
Arson	1	1	0
Attempt Arson	2	1	1
Attempt Armed Robbery	9	8	1
Attempt Unarmed Robbery	2	2	0
Attempt to Kill	21	15	6
Attempt Rape	151	143	8
Auto Theft	4	4	0
Bigamy	372	321	51
Breaking and Entering	109	88	21
Burglary	1	1	0
Bringing Stolen Car into State	1	1	0
Carrying Concealed Weapons	1	1	0
Concealing Child	2	2	0
Conspiracy	2	2	0
Crime Vs Nature	29	22	7
Embezzlement	2	2	0
Entering	80	66	14
Escape	8	7	1
False Pretense	4	3	1
Forgery	163	156	7
Grand Larceny	441	388	53
Habitual Criminal Act	93	75	18
Incest	5	5	0
Kidnapping	5	5	0
Malicious Wounding	51	37	14
Moonshining	1	1	0
Murder, First Degree	199	135	64
Murder, Second Degree	107	66	41
Obstructing Train	2	2	0
Rape	65	46	19
Receiving Stolen Goods	8	4	4
Robbery, Armed	134	116	18
Robbery, Unarmed	29	21	8
Robbery, Bank	2	2	0
Shooting into Passenger Train	1	1	0
Unlawful Wounding	33	19	14
Uttering	5	5	0
Violating Narcotics Act	2	2	0
Voluntary Manslaughter	25	20	5
Worthless Check	16	16	0
Totals	2202	1825	377

WEST VIRGINIA PENITENTIARY
MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

MARITAL STATUS	Total	White	Colored
Married	764	629	135
Single	1133	946	187
Separated	79	61	18
Divorced	160	139	21
Widowed	64	48	16
Unknown	2	2	0
Totals	2202	1825	377

WEST VIRGINIA PENITENTIARY
MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA

Age of Admission	Negroes	Age of Admission	Negroes
16	1	44	4
17	8	45	7
18	8	46	5
19	10	47	5
20	19	48	5
21	16	49	3
22	16	50	3
23	15	51	4
24	26	52	2
25	13	53	2
26	18	54	1
27	16	55	1
28	18	56	1
29	10	57	1
30	8	58	2
31	11	59	3
32	9	60	2
33	7	61	0
34	11	62	1
35	11	63	0
36	15	64	2
37	5	65	2
38	19	66	2
39	5	67	1
40	5	68	2
41	7		
42	5		
43	4		
		Total	377

**INMATES IN THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE PRISON
FOR WOMEN**

CRIMES	Total	White	Colored
Armed Robbery	2	2	0
Arson	1	1	0
Attempted Arson	1	0	1
Breaking and Entering	1	1	0
Burglary and Grand Larceny	1	1	0
Entering Without Breaking	1	1	0
Felony	7	6	1
First Degree Arson	2	2	0
First Degree Murder	5	2	3
Forgery	12	10	2
Grand Larceny	19	12	7
Highway Robbery and Conspiracy	1	1	0
Malicious Wounding	2	0	2
Maiming	2	2	0
Murder	1	0	1
Perjury	1	1	0
Possession of Stolen Drugs	1	1	0
Receiving Stolen Goods	1	1	0
Second Degree Murder	2	2	0
Unarmed Robbery	16	7	9
Unlawful Wounding	1	1	0
Voluntary Manslaughter	2	0	2
Worthless Checks	7	4	3
	2	2	0
Totals	90*	59	31

* Although there are only 89 inmates, there are ninety crimes listed due to one inmate being committed from two counties with concurrently running sentences.

**INMATES IN THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE PRISON
FOR WOMEN**

Age	Total	White	Negro
17	2	2	0
18	2	2	0
20	2	2	0
21	5	5	0
22	2	2	0
23	4	4	0
24	5	1	4
25	5	2	3
26	2	2	0
27	7	4	3
28	5	5	0
29	2	1	1
30	3	0	3
31	3	1	2
32	1	0	1
33	5	3	2
34	3	2	1
35	3	2	1
36	1	1	0
37	5	4	1
38	1	0	1
39	1	0	1
41	1	0	1
42	1	1	0
43	3	1	2
44	5	3	2
45	1	1	0
46	2	0	2
49	1	1	0
51	3	3	0
52	2	1	1
54	1	1	0
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	89	58	31

WEST VIRGINIA BARBERS AND BEAUTICIANS

COUNTY	Barbers		Barber Shops		Beauticians		Beauty Shops	
	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro	White	Negro
Barbour	10		6		12		10	
Berkeley	30	6	19	5	25	3	20	3
Boone	27		20		14	1	11	
Braxton	10		8		9		8	
Brooke	21		16		17		15	
Cabell	126		64	4	163	10	89	8
Calhoun	3		3		3		3	
Clay	4		3		5		4	
Doddridge	5		4		2		2	
Fayette	51	8	35	6	43	11	36	11
Gilmer	8		7		4		4	
Grant	5		4		8		4	
Greenbrier	32	2	26	2	35	4	23	4
Hampshire	4	2	2	1	4		3	
Hancock	44	1	31	1	24	1	20	1
Hardy	6		5		3		2	
Harrison	98	3	66	2	100	5	51	3
Jackson	8		6		8		5	
Jefferson	10	5	8	3	10	2	6	2
Kanawha	223	28	121	13	223	42	131	29
Lewis	19	2	8	1	15		13	
Lincoln	8		8		7		4	
Logan	52	3	33	3	47	5	32	4
McDowell	61	24	37	14	37	37	24	30
Marion	76	6	53	4	77	11	55	6
Marshall	34		28		37		34	
Mason	17		10		13		12	
Mercer	42	20	27	9	61	8	31	6
Mineral	17	1	16	1	19	2	16	2
Mingo	45	4	26	3	36	6	26	3
Monongalia	62	2	31	1	47	3	26	2
Monroe	5		4		4		4	
Morgan	7	1	5	1	4		3	
Nicholas	17		12		11		9	
Ohio	84	2	60	1	124	3	78	3
Pendleton	3		3		5		4	
Pleasants	4		3		7		5	
Pocahontas	6		5		4		4	
Preston	15		12		15		12	
Putnam	10		8		7		6	
Raleigh	65	12	39	8	56	24	35	18
Randolph	23	1	12	1	18	1	11	1
Ritchie	11		8		13		9	
Roane	10		7		10		7	
Summers	12	1	7	1	10	2	6	2
Taylor	19		12		14	2	9	2
Tucker	8		7		8		6	
Tyler	10		7		11		9	
Upshur	14		7		13		7	
Wayne	16		13		12		11	
Webster	14		12		11		6	
Wetzel	24		19		23		18	
Wirt	2		2		2		2	
Wood	81	3	50	2	89	2	61	2
Wyoming	19	1	11	1	19		14	
Totals	1637	144	1056	88	1598	185	1056	142

REPORT OF

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**BUREAU OF NEGRO WELFARE
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of the

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

to

GOVERNOR OKEY L. PATTESON

1949-1950

NEGRO PHYSICIANS IN WEST VIRGINIA

Cabell County

Boyd, Howard A.	Huntington
Smith, S. A.	Huntington

Fayette County

Anderson, Charles B.	Mt. Hope
Anderson, Harry B.	Mt. Hope

Harrison County

Trice, H. J.	Clarksburg
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Kanawha County

Davis, D. F.	Charleston
Hall, W. M.	Charleston
Harvey, H. N.	Charleston
Hopkins, J. A.	Cedar Grove
Hopson, C. F.	Charleston
Jackson, C. A.	Charleston
Jones, R. L.	Charleston
Morris, W. D.	Charleston
Spaulding, A. L.	Charleston

Logan County

Elliott, H. T.	Logan
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Marion County

Bowles, J. A.	Fairmont
Conliffe, M. M.	Fairmont

Mason County

Bell, James M.	Lakin
Johnson, S. O.	Lakin
Oeser, Karin	Lakin
Robinson, L. D.	Lakin

McDowell County

Brown, W. A., Jr.	Keystone
Brown, J. E.	Keystone
Thomas, M. L.	Welch
Wade, James P.	Northfork
Wright, L. Z.	Welch

Mercer County

Brown, W. A.	Bluefield
Higginbotham, P. R.	Bluefield
Lewis, T. T.	Bluefield
Marshall, C. L.	Bluefield
Wright, W. M.	Bluefield

Mingo County

Thompson, E. B.	Williamson
Whittico, J. M.	Williamson
Warren, R. G.	Williamson

Ohio County

Banks, G. A.	Wheeling
Kennedy, E. S.	Wheeling
Trice, H. J.	Wheeling
Pronty, J. K.	Wheeling
Wade, M. A.	Wheeling

Pocahontas County

Doss, R. D.	Denmar
Nelson, J. H., Jr.	Denmar

Raleigh County

Belton, A. D.	Beckley
Butts, Milton A.	Beckley
Christian, V. A.	Lester
Grandison, J. M.	Lester
Hargrove, H. C.	Beckley
Howard, R. J.	Beckley

Summers County

Laws, C. H.	Hinton
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Wood County

Bacoats, J. S.	Parkersburg
Shellcroft, J. W.	Parkersburg

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